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Re: Distribution of the Duchesne River System

Gentlemen:

Either the State Engineer or myself has advised you of the recommendation of the water users who met with the State Engineer in Duchesne on July 13th to adopt a modified duty schedule for the remainder of the 1976 irrigation season on the Duchesne River System. Since this recommendation did not seem to meet with any violent opposition from anyone, the enclosed Motion was presented to Judge Harding and he executed the enclosed Order implementing this duty schedule. You will note, however, that the Order provides that it is only to govern the remainder of the 1976 irrigation season, that it is without prejudice to the claims of any of the parties, and that any user who feels he is suffering undue hardship by the terms of the Order may petition the Court for hearing. The State Engineer would, of course, agree to such a hearing if necessary, but because the River is dropping so rapidly it seemed imperative that an Order be entered at this time so that the Commissioner has a basis for distributing the water.

If any of you have any questions or concerns, please contact either the State Engineer or myself. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely

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Enclosures DWJ/jr